

Ser. No. 09/364,794

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claim:

126. (Twice Amended) A process for conveying ice in the form of a plurality of
2 pieces each having physical characteristics amenable to transport by negative air
pressure pneumatic conveyance, from a source of said ice to a remote location
4 under said negative air pressure, which comprises:
- a. providing a hollow elongated ice conduit connecting said source of ice and
6 said remote location and providing ice communication therebetween; a receptor at
said remote location for receiving said ice; and a vacuum pump in fluid
8 communication through a vacuum line with said receptor for withdrawing air from
said conduit and creating a vacuum comprising said negative air pressure
10 substantially throughout said conduit, said negative air pressure causing said ice to
traverse said conduit from said source into said receptor;
- 12 b. withdrawing air from said receptor and conduit and creating a vacuum,
comprising said negative air pressure in said receptor and conduit, said air being
14 withdrawn from said conduit to create said negative air pressure in said conduit at
a point along said conduit substantially adjacent to or downstream from said
16 receptor; and
- c. causing said ice to traverse said conduit from said source into said receptor
18 under the influence of said negative air pressure.

REMARKS

This Supplemental Response is submitted to provide the amendment of independent Claim 126 in a manner parallel to the amendment of independent Claim 1 which was submitted in the Response filed by facsimile yesterday. This parallel amendment of Claim 126 was inadvertently omitted from that Response.

All arguments made in that Response are continued herein and are submitted to be